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Subject: RE: JPAL Letters of Support

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Sure, whenever you are free to talk.

It says "you are also encouraged to provide a letter of support ..from [these individuals]" so NOT MANDATORY, but really, how would we stack up if they are not included? With Memphis comprising the lion's share of SC, I would think we have to show that level of cooperation with city mayor on board, and the county mayor would have to show that the County Commission stands behind any initiative of this sort. Then I suggested TDOC to bring in cooperation of state and I think that's the easiest one of these three.

Is there a contact in the county government I can discuss this application with? Roger Henderson maybe? Paul Young? (I will start with Paul unless you have another suggestion.)

It asks for the following information:

- Description of how the jurisdiction currently uses data and evidence to inform decision making (I can write generally but some concrete examples from county government would be helpful), and,
- Jurisdiction's experience with randomized control evaluations. If there are some in other areas, I think that would still be useful to mention, and now want to bring to crime reduction methods. I'm not aware of any randomized studies across our subject areas.

I just don't have the knowledge base to respond for the county government on these questions.

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From: William Gibbons (wgibbons) [mailto:wgibbons@memphis.edu]  
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Ugh. Let's talk.

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 13, 2017, at 12:12 PM, Brona Pinnolis <bpinnolis@memphiscrime.org> wrote:

We need to submit letters of support with the letter of interest. They suggest governor, mayor, city manager, county commissioner, agency leader, etc. I think we would want, at a minimum, the following:

1. TDOC Commissioner
2. Mayor Strickland

### 3. County Commissioner Chair

I'm not sure how the governor would come into play here, but put that out there. Is this something you can help coordinate in terms of getting their okays or discuss with Mayor Luttrell and get his folks to get that squared away? I think at this point the letters of support would be very general in nature and I can draft them, but need to know they will sign them and have them back in time to submit by Friday. Let me know. Thanks.

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